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# APNT CONOPS DOCUMENT FEEDBACK

## DEFINING NEXTGEN APNT



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# RESILIENT PERFORMANCE BASED NAV (R-PBN) FOR NEXTGEN APNT

- **Currently-available APNT** is based on DME, VOR, and ILS technologies that partially sustain desired PBN capabilities
- **NextGen APNT** is based on DME, ILS, and yet-to-be-defined technologies that fully sustain desired PBN capabilities
- We propose a new terminology, **Resilient PBN** (*R-PBN*), for NextGEN APNT to distinguish it from the currently-available DME/VOR/ILS based APNT concept

*Next***GEN APNT** = **R-PBN**

# R-PBN DEFINED

R-PBN

- NextGen PBN allows more aircraft to fly from point A to point B in shorter time, with less fuel, and in currently difficult conditions resulting in economic profit and societal benefits
- PBN being dependent on GPS, however, is extremely vulnerable
  - **GPS jamming, interference, and malfunctions** deny aircraft access to main navigation signal
  - **GPS spoofing** misleads aircraft with false position and false other-ship positions via ADS-B
  - **ADS-B spoofing** directly injects false traffic info, confusing pilots, controllers, and advisory and automation systems
  - **APNT spoofing** confuses backup navigation systems
- **Jamming and spoofing** threaten flight safety, disrupt efficiency, reduce capacity, create havoc in the air
  - Economic loss and potential loss of lives
- We need jamming and spoofing **Resilient PBN** to ensure NextGen's safety and efficiency

# TOMORROW'S THREATS, TODAY'S PLAN

- From today's cheap "Personal Privacy GPS Jammer" to tomorrow's cheap "Personal GPS Spoofer" which further falsifies position info for unlawful applications



- From today's cheap "Personal ADS-B RADAR" to tomorrow's low-tech "ADS-B Spoofer" which mimics ADS-B transmissions



- A more prudent approach to APNT CONOPS may need to consider both **jamming** and **spoofing** threats





# OPEN-ACCESS ADS-B

- ADS-B is a great but vulnerable technology
- It allows open **READ** access to everyone
- It cannot deny nor detect unlawful **WRITE** access from anyone
  - An open invitation to spoofers
    - accidental / for fun / criminal
    - malicious / terrorist attack
  - Its impact can be painful
  - From receiving to transmission is just a

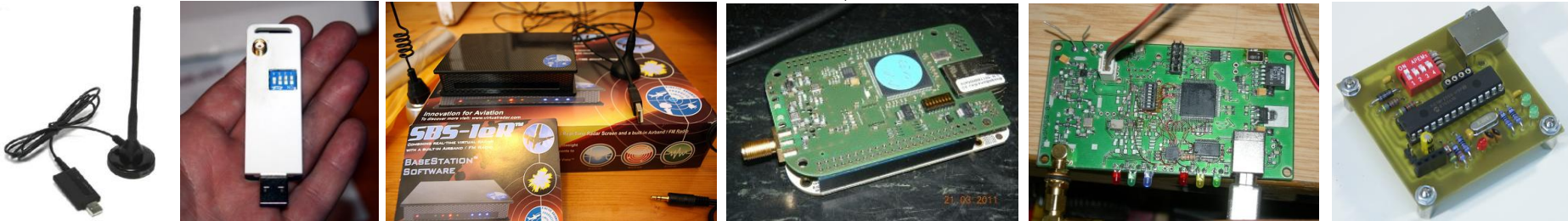
(please click the image to link to the website for movie)



“Transport mapping specialist [ITO](#) has compiled the sequence of images, with the aid of real-time flight-monitoring site [Flightradar24](#) which draws data from a network of amateur tracking stations.”



“Crowd-sourced” “EURO ADS-B Network”  
small step forward!



Abundant low-cost Personal ADS-B RADAR Devices and DIY Projects on the Internet

# ADS-B SPOOFING IS NOT DIFFICULT

- It's not difficult to transmit illegitimate ADS-B signals
  - 1090MHz pulsed waveform is extremely simple to create
  - RF Synthesizer
  - Software Defined Radio
  - ADS-B out box fed with fake GPS position data
- Is getting easier and cheaper every year



Sagetech's Mode S Transponder with ADS-B In/Out (250W)

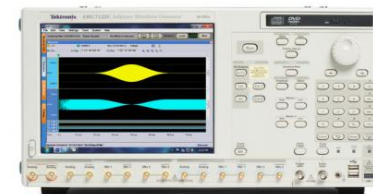
Monopole Antenna

Transponder

To Static Pressure

To Flight Computer

Power



\$70K Lab AWF

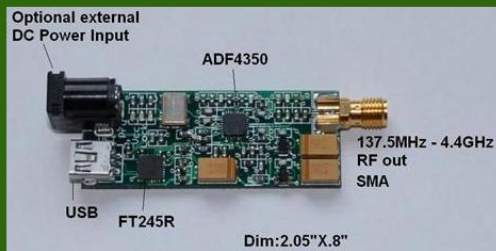


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## USB Powered RF Signal Generator

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(without aluminum case)

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With Aluminum Case \$574.00

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# SPOOFING IMPACTS NAVIGATION

- ▶ GPS and ADS-B message spoofing can cause great havoc in the air
  - Pilot Confusion
  - Lost of confidence in air traffic information
  - Messed-up situational awareness, self separation, and collision avoidance
  - Ground controller and automation system confusion
  - Crippled ATC guidance when air and ground pictures are different
  - Can pilot still fly the way he/she prefers and arrive on time at planned destination?  
Can anyone depart knowing there is spoofing? Is it safe to fly at all?
- ▶ What are the planned ways to detect and handle spoofing (potentially in large quantity) and manage all automation systems?
  - Not very clear. Are we prepared?
- ▶ What may be the cost if such havoc is allowed to happen?
  - To operators, passengers, government, and society in general?

# OUR TWO CENTS...

- ▶ A more prudent approach to APNT CONOPS may need to consider both **jamming** and **spoofing** threats
- ▶ We propose a new terminology, **Resilient PBN** (**R-PBN**), for **NextGEN APNT** to distinguish it from the currently-available DME/VOR/ILS based APNT concept
- ▶ **R-PBN** should ensure the safety and efficiency of NextGEN PBN during intermittent and prolonged jamming and spoofing events in a seamless, continuous, and unlimited manner.







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